MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 10(A)(3)

TO:

Hon. Chairperson and Members

Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

September 9, 2003

FROM:

Robert A. Ginsburg

County Attorney

SUBJECT:

Resolution relating to ON

GUARD

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro.

Robert A. Ginsburg

County Attorney

RAG/bw

(Revised)

TO:

Honorable Chairperson and Members

Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

September 9, 2003

FROM:

Robert A. Ginsburg
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 10(A)(3)

riea	ise note any items checked.
	"4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
	6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
	4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
	Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
	Budget required
	Statement of fiscal impact required
	Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
	Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
	Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
	No committee review

Approved _	Mayor	Agenda Item No. 10(A)(3)
Veto _		9-9-03
Override _		
	RESOLUTION NO.	
	RESOLUTION SUPPORTING OPER	RATION ON GUARD AND

FEDERAL,

AGENCIES RESPONSIBLE FOR ITS IMPLEMENTATION

STATE, AND

HONORING

THE

WHEREAS, Operation ON GUARD is a national campaign originating in the State of Florida that provides a means for the American public to have an active part in the fight against terrorism on the domestic front; and

WHEREAS, an initiative employing the joint efforts of the Department of Homeland Security and the United States Coast Guard, Customs Service, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Federal Bureau of Investigations, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, and the Miami-Dade County Department of Homeland Security, as well as other national, state, and local agencies, Operation ON GUARD seeks to enlist the aid of workers in the maritime industry, recreational boaters, commercial fishermen, and other waterfront users to detect and report suspicious activity that may be a threat to America's security at home; and

WHEREAS, characterized as being similar to the coast watch programs of World War II and neighborhood crime watch programs that have been successfully employed throughout the nation for more than 40 years, Operation ON GUARD suggests the criteria for detecting suspicious or unusual activity and provides the avenues for reporting such activity; and

WHEREAS, this partnership formed by federal, state, and local agencies, private industry, and the American public is a key factor in guarding the nation's coastline and protecting its native soil; and

WHEREAS, in the South Florida area, the Unites States Coast Guard Auxiliary has been given the primary responsibility for mounting the necessary Operation ON GUARD uniformed presence and creating public outreach patrols by boat or car or on foot, as appropriate,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board supports and salutes the efforts of Operation ON GUARD and pays special honor to the members of the United States Coast Guard, the Coast Guard Auxiliary, the Federal Bureau of Investigations, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, and the Miami-Dade County Department of Homeland Security for the work they are doing to protect the coasts of America from terrorism.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro and offered by Commissioner , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Dr. Barbara Carey-Shuler, Chairperson Katy Sorenson, Vice-Chairperson

Bruno A. Barreiro
Betty T. Ferguson
Joe A. Martinez
Dennis C. Moss
Natacha Seijas
Sen. Javier D. Souto
Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Sally A. Heyman
Jimmy L. Morales
Dorrin D. Rolle
Rebeca Sosa

Agenda Item No. 10(A)(3) Page No. 3

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 9th day of September, 2003. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By:______ Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

Susan Torres